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Community Project area in Chidambaram.

* 1540 *Q.*—Sri G. VAGHEESAM PILLAI : Will the Hon. the Minister for Agriculture be pleased to state—

(*a*) whether there is any proposal with the Government for the extension of the supply of electricity to the Community Project area in Chidambaram taluk, and

(*b*) if so, when it will be taken up?

The Hon. Sri M. BHAKTAVATSALAM :—" (*a*) Yes, Sir.

" (*b*) The matter is under correspondence with the Chief Operation Engineer (South). On receipt of his detailed report, specific schemes will be taken up for consideration."

* 1541 *Q.*—Sri G. VAGHEESAM PILLAI : Will the Hon. the Minister for Agriculture be pleased to state—

(*a*) the amount of loan sanctioned for agricultural purposes in the Community Project area in Chidambaram taluk, and

(*b*) the amount of loan sanctioned for building houses?

The Hon. Sri M. BHAKTAVATSALAM :—" (*a*) A sum of Rs. 1,37,510 was sanctioned as loan for agricultural purposes in the Community Project area in Chidambaram block during the period from 1st April 1954 to 31st January 1955.

" (*b*) No loan was sanctioned for house building purposes."

House-sites for Harijans in Chirakkal taluk.

* 1542 *Q.*—Sri T. C. NARAYANAN NAMBIAR : Will the Hon. the Minister for Revenue be pleased to state—

(*a*) whether the Government have received a memorandum from 135 Harijans of Anáur, Morazha and Kalliasseri villages of Chirakkal taluk for the assignment of house-sites in Mangat Government poramboke land, and

(*b*) if so, the action taken thereon?

The Hon. Sri M. A. MANICKAVELU :—" (*a*) Yes, Sir.

" (*b*) As the lands applied for are required for communal purposes, the applicants are being informed by the Collector of Malabar that the lands in question are not available for assignment."

Sri T. C. NARAYANAN NAMBIAR :—" Sir, in view of the fact that about 600 acres of land are available and that only a small portion on the eastern side of the Mangat poramboke is being used for community purposes, will the Hon. Minister see that Harijans who have no houses of their own in the neighbouring areas and who have applied for house-sites are given lands at least in the western and southern portions of the Mangat poramboke? "

The Hon. Sri M. A. MANICKAVELU :—" Sir, in the first place it is not 600 acres in extent. It is only 306 acres. That

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area is used for grazing purposes. It is the only area where people can get grass for putting up huts. It is also used by the Military for firing practice. It is entered as a prohibited area in the registers. So it is not possible to assign the lands.''

SRI M. S. SELVARAJAN :—" ஹரி ஜனங்களுக்கு மேஜர் பஞ்சாயத்திலே இருக்கக்கூடிய நிலங்களை ஆர்ஜிதம் செய்வதற்கு சட்டப்படி சிலவை மேஜர் பஞ்சாயத்துக்களை ஏற்றுக்கொள்ளவேண்டுமென்று சர்க்கார் உத்திரவு போட்டிருக்கிறது. அப்படி பஞ்சாயத்துக்கள் ஏற்றுக் கொள்ளாத இடங்களில் சர்க்கார் என்ன செய்யக்கருதுகிறார்கள். ''

MR. SPEAKER :—" The hon. Member is a new Member. கேள்வியை எழுதிக்கொண்டு என்னிடம் வாருங்கள்.''

SRI A. RATNAM :—" மலபாரிலுள்ள ஆண்டூர், மொராழி, கல்லியச்சேரி, கிராமங்களில் குறைந்தது 306 எக்கர் நிலங்கள் இருப்பதாகச் சொல்லுகிறார்கள். அது மேய்ச்சல் நிலமாக இருக்கிறது, அந்த இடத்தில் எத்தனை மாடுகள் மேய்கின்றன ? மேலும் ராணுவத்தினர் துப்பாக்கி பழகுவதற்காக அந்த இடத்தை உபயோகப்படுத்துகிறார்களா ? இப்பொழுது 135 ஹரிஜனங்கள் அந்த இடத்தைக்கொடுக்கும்படி மனுசெய்துகொண்டிருக்கிறார்கள். ஏன் அவர்களுக்கு கொடுக்கக்கூடாது என்று அறிய விரும்புகிறேன் ? ''

THE HON. SRI M. A. MANICKAVELU :—" I have already stated the reason why the lands could not be assigned. Instead of pursuing this, it is better to find out other areas which could be easily assigned.''

SRI T. C. NARAYANAN NAMBIAR :—" The Hon. Minister informed us that only about 300 and odd acres belong to the Government. May I know whether there was any dispute with regard to these lands, whether some adjoining areas were trespassed upon, whether some landlords have taken some of the lands and treated them as their own and whether any action has been taken by the Government or any enquiry conducted regarding the matter? ''

THE HON. SRI M. A. MANICKAVELU :—" If the hon. Member makes a representation about that, I shall see what can be done. If such lands are available, we can think of assigning them.''

SRI A. RATNAM :—" இந்த ஆண்டூர் கிராமத்தில் உள்ள 306 எக்கர் நிலங்களில் எவ்வளவு நிலங்கள் தனிப்பட்டவர்களுக்குச் சொந்தமானது ? அந்த நிலங்கள் மாடுகள் மேய்ப்பதற்காக உபயோகப்படுகின்றன. அப்படியிருக்கும்போது அங்கே எத்தனை மாடுகள் மேய்கின்றன என்று சொல்லமுடியுமா ? ''

THE HON. SRI M. A. MANICKAVELU :—" Sir, just now I have answered. It seems there are certain lands which have been trespassed upon by big landlords. We will pursue the question. If such lands are available, then we shall consider the question of assigning them.''

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SRI T. C. NARAYANAN NAMBIAR :—" Sir, are the Government aware of the fact that the panchayat board of the local area are not permitting the grazing of the cattle and they have notified that action will be taken against those who allow cattle to graze in the Mangat poramboke? If so, will the Government take suitable action to prevent such obstruction by the panchayat board? "

THE HON. SRI M. A. MANICKAVELU :—" Yes, Sir, I shall have it examined, but I wish the hon. Member makes some representations so that I can pursue the matter."

SRI S. SWAYAMPRAKASAM :—" Sir, it sometimes happens that the land is not actually used for grazing purposes. Whenever an application for assignment of land comes from a Harijan or a landless poor person, the village officers in connivance with the villagers say that the land is required for grazing purposes and therefore should not be assigned. The Collector also upholds this decision. Will the Government issue a circular in future to the Collectors that such things should not recur? "

THE HON. SRI M. A. MANICKAVELU :—" There may have been such cases where land was not available for grazing because owing to the continuous drought for five or six years, no grass would have grown. That is why it should have happened like that."

9 a.m SRI O. KORAN :—" Sir, much time is taken by the Government in the matter of assignment of poramboke lands to Harijans. Three years back, a petition was presented for assignment of poramboke lands in the village of Kattampalli in Chirakkal taluk. But so far, no assignment of poramboke lands has been made. Will the Government be pleased to deal with such petitions urgently? "

THE HON. SRI M. A. MANICKAVELU :—" Yes, Sir. That matter is being attended to on a wider State-basis."

SRI S. RAMALINGAM :—" மாடு மேய்ப்பதற்கு மந்தை மிக அவசியமா ? ஹரிஜனங்கள் குடியிருப்பதற்கு வீடு மிக அவசியமா ? இதில் எது அவசியம் ? மாடுகள் மேய்வதற்கு மந்தை அவசியமென்று கணக்கில் எழுதியிருந்தால், அதைத் தவிர்த்து ஹரிஜனங்களுக்கு இடம் ஒதுக்க சர்க்கார் முன்வருவார்களா ? "

THE HON. SRI M. A. MANICKAVELU :—"இதிலே இரண்டும் அவசியந்தான். தொன்னைக்கு நெய் அவசியம் ; நெய்க்கு தொன்னை அவசியம்."

SRI K. VINAYAKAM :—" ஹரிஜனங்கள் வீடு கட்டுவதற்காக 135 பேர்கள்தான் மனு போட்டிருக்கிறார்கள் என்று கூறினார்கள். ஒருவர் குடும்பத்திற்கு இரண்டு செண்ட் வீதம் நிலம் கொடுத்தால்கூட, 2 ஏக்கர் அல்லது 3 ஏக்கர்தான் செலவாகும். இப்போது 300 ஏக்கர் நிலங்கள் இருப்பதாகக் கூறினார்கள். ஏன் அதில் 5 ஏக்கர் நிலத்தை இதற்காக ஒதுக்கிவிட்டு, மற்ற நிலங்களை ஆடு மாடுகள் மேய்ப்பதற்கு வைத்துக் கொள்ளக்கூடாது ? "

THE HON. SRI M. A. MANICKAVELU :—" I am glad to note that the hon. Member has become very practical-minded. I shall have the suggestion of the hon. Member examined."

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Sri K. V. RAMASWAMI :—" மாடுகளே இல்லாத இடத்தில் மந்தை வைத்திருப்பது சர்க்காருக்குத் தெரியுமா ? "

The Hon. Sri M. A. MANICKAVELU :—" மாடுகள் உற்பத்தியானால் என்ன செய்வது ? "

Sri P. G. KARUTHIRUMAN :—" On a point of information, Sir, மாடுகளே இல்லாத ஊர் எது என்பதை கனம் அங்கத்தினர் தெரியப் படுத்தும்படி கேட்டுக் கொள்ளுகிறேன்.

Sri C. H. KANARAN :—" Whenever the question of assignment of lands to Harijans comes up, very many obstructions are put forward for some reason or other by the villagers so that lands could not be assigned to Harijans. In view of this fact, will the Government make an enquiry into the matter and see that at least a portion of 360 acres and odd available is assigned to Harijans as early as possible? "

The Hon. Sri M. A. MANICKAVELU :—" Yes, Sir. I have already answered that the matter will be looked into."

Elementary Education Committee.

* 1543 *Q.*—Sri M. DHARMALINGAM : Will the Hon. the Minister for Finance be pleased to state—

(*a*) whether any Committee has been constituted to examine the entire system of elementary education;

(*b*) whether the Committee has submitted its report; and

(*c*) if so, what their recommendations are? "

The Hon. Sri C. SUBRAMANIAM :—" (*a*) Yes, Sir.

" (*b*) No, Sir.

" (*c*) Does not arise."

Opening of a Government Hospital at Mattanur.

* 1544 *Q.*—Sri K. MADHAVAN NAMBIAR : Will the Hon. the Minister for Health be pleased to state—

(*a*) whether the Government have recently received any representation from the Secretary, Mattanur Youth Congress Committee to open a Government hospital at Mattanur; and

(*b*) if so, the action taken thereon?

The Hon. Sri A. B. SHETTY :—" (*a*) Yes, Sir.

" (*b*) The matter is under consideration."

Fruit Research stations.

* 1545 *Q.*—Sri G. VAGHEESAM PILLAI : Will the Hon. the Minister for Agriculture be pleased to state—

(*a*) whether there are any proposals before the Government to start fruit research stations in the State as a result of Kodur going to Andhra State; and

(*b*) if so, the details thereof? "